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| Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review   |  |   |   |  |  |  |  |
| This is in response to the Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review filed 03-01-07   |  |   |   |  |  |  |  |
| <ol> <li>Improper Request – The Req reason(s):</li> </ol>   | uest is improper and a confere   | ence will not be held fo  | or the following  |  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>☐ The Notice of Appeal has not been filed concurrent with the Pre-Appeal Brief Request.</li> <li>☐ The request does not include reasons why a review is appropriate.</li> <li>☐ A proposed amendment is included with the Pre-Appeal Brief request.</li> <li>☐ Other: .</li> </ul> |  |   |   |  |  |  |  |
| The time period for filing a response continues to run from the receipt date of the Notice of Appeal or from the mail date of the last Office communication, if no Notice of Appeal has been received.  |  |   |   |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Proceed to Board of Patent A held. The application remains under is required to submit an appeal brief brief will be reset to be one month from the receipt of the notice appeal brief is extendible under 37 C of the notice of appeal, as applicable                                   | appeal because there is at lead in accordance with 37 CFR 41 commailing this decision, or the e of appeal, whichever is greate CFR 1.136 based upon the mail | st one actual issue fo<br>.37. The time period for<br>balance of the two-mer. Further, the time p | r appeal. Applicant<br>for filing an appeal<br>nonth time period<br>eriod for filing of the |  |  |  |  |
| ☐ The panel has determined to Claim(s) allowed: Claim(s) objected to: Claim(s) rejected: 2-4, 7, 9-10, Claim(s) withdrawn from considerations.  | 14-15 and 40-70.   | follows:  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Allowable application – A conference has been held. The rejection is withdrawn and a Notice of Allowance will be mailed. Prosecution on the merits remains closed. No further action is required by applicant at this time.  |  |   |   |  |  |  |  |
| 4. Reopen Prosecution – A conference has been held. The rejection is withdrawn and a new Office action will be mailed. No further action is required by applicant at this time.   |  |   |   |  |  |  |  |
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